

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Steven Sammuels on 12/19/2008. The application has been amended as follows:

Insert – by a processor – after “generating” in line 3 of claim 1.

Insert – by a processor – after “generating” in line 3 of claim 11.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1 and 3-24 are allowed over prior art of record. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Lin et al. (USPN 6675159, already of record) disclose a concept-based indexing and search system indexes collections of documents with ontology-based predicate structures through automated and/or human-assisted methods. The system extracts the concepts behind user queries to return only those documents that match those concepts. The concept based search and retrieval system comprehends the intent behind a query from a user, and returns results matching that intent. The system can perform off-line searches for unanswered user

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queries and notify the user when a match is found (*referring to the reference, particularly abstract section*). Lin et al. fail to specifically disclose generating a list of executable software components used to build a full-text index, the list comprising at least one component list entry, the at least one component list entry comprising a version of an executable software component used to build the full-text index; comparing the at least one component list entry with a registry of executable software components, the registry comprising at least one registry entry, the at least one registry entry comprising a version of an executable software component available for execution; and if it is determined based on said comparing that the version of the executable software component used to build the full-text index and the version of the executable software component available for execution do not match, generating an error and reporting the error to a user. Furthermore, it would have not been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify Lin et al. in order to obtain the claimed invention. Therefore, claims 1 and 3-24 are allowed over prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HUYEN X. VO whose telephone number is (571)272-7631. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 9-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrick Edouard can be reached on 571-272-7603. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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